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SAN FRANCISCO, November 19.

A series of heavy storms and an incessant downpour of rain in the Isthmian Canal region have prevented President Roosevelt from making a landing to inspect the work, his vessel putting out to sea to escape the fury of the heavy seas and storm.

RECORD CUSTOMS RECEIPTS IN AMERICA.

SAN FRANCISCO, November 19.

All records in Customs receipts have been broken in the United States, those for the quarter just expired, \$1,000,000,000.

AMELIORATE CONDITION OF ORIENTALS.

SAN FRANCISCO, November 20.

A great movement is on foot to ameliorate the conditions now existing in regard to all Orientals in general throughout the United States.

The indigent against the "boss" of the city administration of San Francisco, and the warrants issued for the arrest of himself and Mayor Schmitz have caused a revolution of feeling against the San Francisco authorities in general, and they are accused of causing the present school controversy in catering for the support and sympathy of the labour party.

A mass meeting has been called to meet at Los Angeles. President Roosevelt will address the meeting.

TORNADOES SWEEP SOUTH ERN STATES.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 20.

Severe tornadoes are sweeping the Southern States, causing great destruction to property. Several lives have been lost in the Gulf States, and it is feared shipping has suffered.

FATAL COLLISION IN PUGET SOUND.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 20.

The United States transport "Dix" collided this morning with the passenger steamer "Jeanie" in the Puget Sound, and despite the efforts of the officers and crew of the "Dix" who lowered boats at once forty-two unfortunate passengers of the "Jeanie" were drowned.

EXPLOSION OF A FLOATING MINE.

TOKYO, November 27.

Some villagers in the Akita prefecture touched a mechanical mine which had drifted ashore. It exploded, killing ten outright and seriously injuring fifty-six others.

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TOKYO, November 27.

On her trial trip the "Tsukuba" developed a speed of 21½ knots instead of 20½ as expected.

MANCHURIAN RAILWAY.

TOKYO, November 27.

The Manchurian Railway conference has concluded its deliberations and the Process Verbal will be signed to-morrow. Japanese dispatches assert that the boundary will be fixed at a point north of Chung-ching, and that communications between the respective termini will be feasible.

THE JAPANESE BUDGET.

TOKYO, November 28.

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before TO DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 10th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 9th inst., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, December 3, 1906. 2317

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, November 28, 1906. 2288

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 6th December, at 2.30 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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Hongkong, November 30, 1906. 2300

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His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last visited at
Akerity	despatch-vessel	1700	12	3000	Comdr. J. La T. Leatham	Manila
Andra	cruiser, 2nd class	4360	10	9000	Captain S. L. Vaughan Lee	Manila
Drumblie	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lieut. Comdr. D. Watson	Yangtze
Drumblie	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lieut. Comdr. B. Miller	Yangtze
Odians	sloop	1070	8	1400	Comdr. Laird	Yangtze
Chorub	water tank and tug	390	—	390	—	Hongkong
Clio	cruiser, 1st class	1076	6	1400	Comdr. H. D. Wilkin, D.S.C.	Manila
Diddia	torpedo-boat-destroyer	11,000	16	6,500	Capt. H. W. Savory, R.N.	Hongkong
Fame	cruiser, 2nd class	360	—	5700	Lieut. Comdr. Hughes	Manila
Flora	torpedo boat destroyer	4360	10	7000	Capt. Grant Dalton	Manila
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Lieut. Comdr. Cox	Manila
Bar	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Lieut. Comdr. Hensler Heaton	Manila
Janus	cruiser, 1st class	180	2	5900	Lieut. Comdr. W. H. Darvall	Manila
Kent	cruiser, 1st class	9000	14	22,000	Capt. Du Hovey	Manila
King Alfred	cruiser, 1st class	14,000	14	20,000	Capt. Cecil F. Thursby, R.N.	Manila
Kinsh	river gunboat	618	4	1200	Lt. Comdr. E. V. R. Dogma	Manila
Memmouth	cruiser, 1st class	9800	—	—	Capt. A. J. Tuke	Manila
Moorehen	river gunboat	180	2	890	Lt. Com. R. E. Vaughan	Manila
Orion	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6200	Lt. Comdr. J. Kiddle	Manila
Prometheus	cruiser	2400	—	—	Capt. Woodhouse	Manila
Rambler	Surveying-vessel	835	6	460	Comdr. C. J. Moore	Manila
Robin	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt. Comdr. C. O. Walcott	Manila
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt. Com. H. T. Atty	Manila
Snipe	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt. Comdr. Lyne	Manila
Taku	torpedo boat destroyer	250	6	6500	Reserve	Manila
Thamar	receiving ship	400	—	—	Commodore Williams	Manila
Teal	river gunboat	180	2	890	Lt. Comdr. L. S. Searcy	Manila
Thistle	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lieut. Comdr. West	Manila
Virago	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6300	Lieut. Comdr. Stevenson	Manila
Waterwitch	surveying ship	620	—	460	Comdr. R. W. Glennie	Manila
Whiting	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	6000	Lieut. Com. C. K. L. Thomas	Manila
Widgeon	river gunboat	195	2	890	Lt. Comdr. G. B. Spicer-Simon	Manila
Woodcock	river gunboat	150	2	600	Lieut. Com. O. W. Wrightson	Manila
Woodlark	river gunboat	160	2	600	Lieut. Com. Jno. F. Knor	Manila

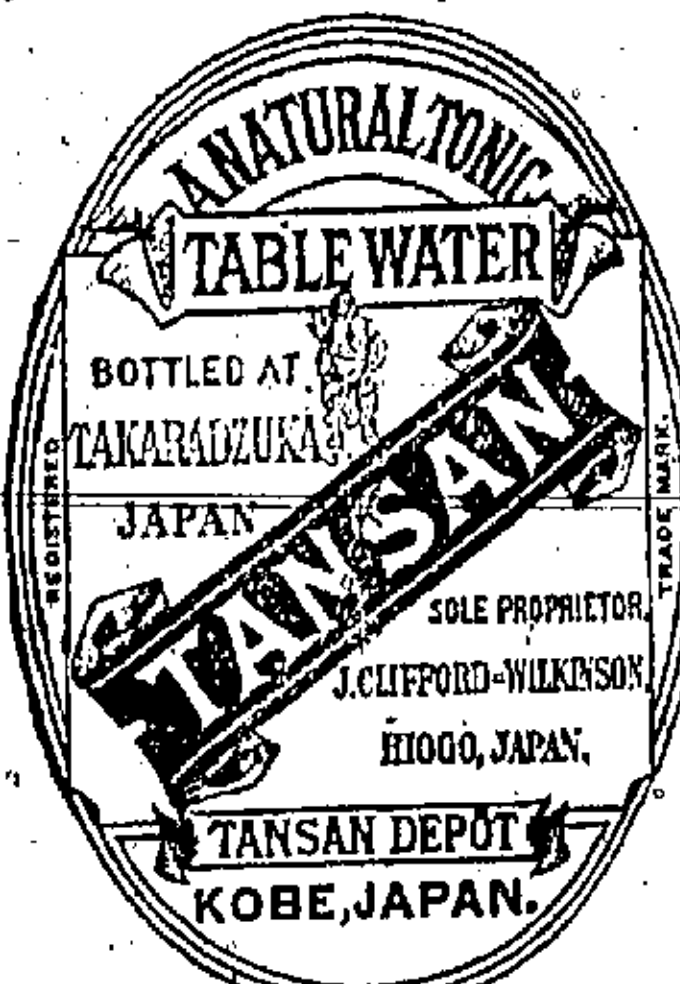
* Flag of Vice-Admiral Sir W. Arthur Moore, Commander-in-Chief.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captains.	
Kaiser Franz Josef	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4309	19	9000	Capt. Ferdinand Bahlby	Shanghai
Panther	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	1350	12	6000	Captain E. Koerber	Singapore
Ascherson	French armoured cruiser	1798	10	1700	Lieut. Ferret	Haiphong
Adour	French receiving-ship	—	—	—	Lieut. Merle	Haiphong
Alouette	French torpedo-boat	—	—	—	Commander Kerihuel	Cape St. James
Argus	French gunboat	123	—	500	Lieut. Jeannel	Onze
Carondeau	French gunboat	—	—	150	Lieut. Huc	Saloon
Decidie	French gunboat	845	10	1000	Lieut. L'Etang	Onze
D'Entrecasteaux	French cruiser	11,242	—	—	Capt. Tracou	H. ngkong
Descartes	French cruiser	3945	14	5500	Comdr. Amet	Kiukiang
Duroc-Thouars	French armoured cruiser	10,614	38	20,000	Lieut. Coquelin	Saloon
Esturgeon	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lieut. Garreau	Sal. on
Francisque	French destroyer	303	7	6300	Lieut. Saint-Saine	Hongkong
Fronde	French destroyer	350	7	303	Captain Ridoix	Saloon
Guaydon	French cruiser	9376	36	20,200	—	Yokohama
Huichen	French cruiser	9700	—	—	Lieut. Porter	Saloon
Henri Riviere	French gunboat	200	6	308	Lieut. Corleux	Haiphong
Jacquin	French destroyer	307	7	300	Comdr. Sagot-Davaux	Saloon
Javelin	French cruiser	1250	6	2200	Commander Simon	Saloon
Kersaint	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lieut. Armbruster	Saloon
Lynx	French cruiser	9700	12	19,600	Capt. Maistre	Saloon
*Montcalm	French destroyer	307	6	300	Lieut. du Chemin	Saloon
Mosquet	French gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Grullier	Chungking
Olry	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Lavislor	Tongku
Paillo	French torpedo-boat	350	7	300	Lieut. de Rohsach Westh	Hongay
Etiolette	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lieut. Glorion	Saloon
Portico	French torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lr. Vincent de Brichigan	Saloon
Rapier	French battleship	9437	8	8071	Reserve	Saloon
Redoutable	French gunboat	1794	10	1700	Lieut. Lehall	Hongkong
Sabre	French destroyer	—	—	—	Capt. Dupries	Saloon
Styx	French gunboat	250	6	—	—	Yanzoua
Taking	French destroyer	6160	23	4560	Capt. Terquem	Saloon
Vakon	French battleship (reserve)	123	7	500	Lieut. Brignon	Hongkong
Vigilante	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	—
Furst Blamarck	German flag ship	11,000	38	14,000	Captain Wilson	Japan
Ilia	German gunboat	1000	10	1300	Comdr. Baron von M. Hillebrand	Yokohama
Jaguar	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Kloba	Hongkong
Lucho	German gunboat	850	10	1344	Comdr. Harzog	Hongkong
Nieue	German gunboat	1000	8	875	Comdr. Lubbert	Taiwan
Nieue	German cruiser	—	—	—	Capt. Wischel	Hongkong
S. 90	German torpedo-boat	—	—	—	Capt. Liemt. Wing-Muller	Taiwan
Taku	German torpedo-boat	900	10	1300	Capt. Liemt. Walter	Tsingtau
Tiger	German gunboat	170	6	1300	Comdr. Abeken	Japan
Tsingtau	German gunboat	3	3	500	Capt. Liemt. Giebler	China
Vaterland	German gunboat	—	8	500	Capt. Liemt. von Bulow	Yangtze River
Vorwarts	German gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Liemt. Ferhoul	Yangtze River
Calabria	Italian cruiser	3000	—	—	Capt. Marengo	—
Elba	Italian cruiser	2300	10	7471	Captain Borea Rios.	—
Marco Polo	Italian cruiser	2600	—	—	Captain Freabtree	Shanghai
Puglia	Italian cruiser	2498	29	7000	Capt. Fossetto	Shanghai
Adamastor	Portuguese cruiser	1860	14	4000	Captain d'Antas Ribetto	Macao
Din	Portuguese gunboat	720	—	—	Captain Coutinho	Macao
Amayt	U. S. gunboat	—	—	—	Ensign A. K. Shoup	Philippines
Brainbridge	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. Woodward	Japan
Baltimore	U. S. cruiser	4600	—	—	Capt. Sargant	Hawaii
Barry	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	—	8000	Lieut. Irwin	Hongkong
Callao	U. S. gunboat	2-3	10	600	Ensign Guy Witlock	Canton
Chanatocna	U. S. cruiser	3100	25	4500	Commander Alax. Sharp	Hawaii
Chastany	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. E. P. Jee	Hawaii
Cincinnati	U. S. cruiser	3213	19	7500	Comdr. C. J. Robinson	Philippines
Concord	U. S. gunboat	423	7	8000	Comdr. C. J. Boush	Manila
Dale	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	423	7	8000	Reserve	Manila
Decatur	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	10	8000	Lt. Comdr. H. Rodman	Philippines
Elcano	U. S. gunboat	560	—	3000	Comdr. W. F. Coffin	Hongkong
Monmouth	U. S. monitor	3990	6	3000	Captain Logan	Yokohama
Ohio	U. S. battleship	12,000	—	—	Ensign J. W. Hayward	Cavite
Parrang	U. S. gunboat	201	3	250	Ensign A. B. Reed	Cavite
Quinos	U. S. gunboat	201	3	250	Lieut. C. R. Train	Manila
Rainbow	U. S. cruiser	4000	14	—	Comdr. J. O. Gilmore	Manila
Raleigh	U. S. cruiser	3213	18	7500	Capt. E. E. Fletcher	Manila
Villalobos	U. S. gunboat	347	3	400	Lieut. F. L. Pimney	Manila
Wilmington	U. S. gunboat	1327	8	1894	Commander W. L. Rodgers	Manila
Wisconsin	U. S. battleship	12,000	50	12,600	Captain Franklin J. Drake	Manila

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CLARK, I. M. C., of a Daughter.

NEUBOURG.—On November 28, at the
Victoria Nursing Home, Shanghai, CHINA,
LORRA NEUBOURG, aged 21 years.

SCHWYZER.—On November 28, at the
General Hospital, Shanghai, ETRUI LOUZA
(Dolly) the dearly beloved wife of Francis
Schwyzer, aged 27 years.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, December 6:—
2 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, &c., at Hon. Mr E. A. Hewitt's
residence, 'Craig Rynie,' Peak.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Japanese Fine Art
Objects & Embroideries, &c., at Mr
Geo. P. Lammer's Sale Rooms.

Goods per Delhi not cleared at 4 p.m. on
this date subject to rent.

Goods per Montgomeryshire undelivered
after this date subject to rent.

Goods per Catherine Apoor undelivered
after 4 p.m. on this date will be loaded.

FRIDAY, December 7:—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Shoes, Silk
Blouses, &c., at Mr Geo. P. Lammer's
Sales Rooms.

MONDAY, December 10:—
Noon.—Auction of steamer Hongkong at
Mr Geo. P. Lammer's Sales Room.
Goods per Hohentauern undelivered after
this date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, December 11:—
3 p.m.—Auction of Household Property
at Mr Geo. P. Lammer's Sales
Rooms.

THURSDAY, December 13:—
9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

THURSDAY, December 20:—
9 p.m.—Performance by Hongkong
Amateur Dramatic Club in City Hall.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1906.

THE INCOME TAX.

We have not yet joined the unhappy
brotherhood of states which grieve
over the possession of an Income Tax.
Possibly such an impost will never be
levied here for the obvious reason that
the difficulties of collection which are
always great would, in Hongkong, be
almost insuperable. So far as the
European community is concerned the
task would be comparatively easy but
with the Chinese its accomplishment
would be next to impossible. All taxes
in the nature of things are unpopular
but none is more generally detested
than the Income Tax. This by reason of
its inquisitorial character. No man
cares to have all his private affairs laid
naked before strangers, even though
they are under oath not to divulge
anything that comes to their know-
ledge while they are engaged in their
official duties. Notwithstanding this
income taxation is a handy and elastic
method of raising revenue and, in a
country like Great Britain, the facility
with which it is collected recommends
it to each successive Chancellor of the
Exchequer. The latest proposal of
the Commissioners to lighten the
burden upon those who have small
incomes at the expense of those who
are in receipt of £5000 a year and
upwards is certain to be popular. A
much greater number of people receive
less than £5000 a year than receive
more consequently human nature will
cause the majority to hail the proposal
of the Commissioners with enthusiasm
as wise and statesmanlike. There is
undoubtedly a great deal to be said in
favour of a graduated Income Tax.
Ideal taxation would involve payment
to the revenue of the country in pro-
portion to means. There have been
many schemes by which it was hoped
to achieve this desired result chief
among them being Henry George's
proposal for the taxation of land
values which was to render unneces-
sary the levying of any other impost.
The fallacy upon which he based his
argument was the supposition that as
all wealth came from the land the
taxation of land values would work
equitably all round. But Mr George
entirely overlooked the fact that in
the complex state of modern society
there was a very large percentage of
people who were in the annual receipt
of large amounts, who derived every
whit as much benefit from the services
of the Government (military, naval

and police protection and so forth), yet
who would not pay anything towards
the revenue of the country. Under
the Single Tax all professional men
would necessarily be exempt, bankers
and commercial men generally would
be exempt and the entire burden
would fall upon the unfortunate land-
lord. Of course this fallacy was
detected at once and Single Taxers
are now a negligible political quantity.

A graduated Income Tax without
exemptions is not open to the objec-
tion that proved fatal to the Single
Tax. It would involve every man in
a community paying a fair amount
towards the charges which civilized
government render necessary and it
would so adjust those charges that
the greatest weight would be imposed
on the shoulders best able to bear it.
The only objection that can be urged
against a graduated Income Tax is
that it would penalise industry and
enterprise. This is not a fatal objec-
tion. In many countries the Income
Tax is divided into two classes—
incomes from investments and incomes
from personal exertion and the impost
on the latter is much less than that
on the former. Perhaps there will
never be a system of taxation which
works absolutely idyllically but a just
and equitable Income Tax, carefully
graduated would approximate perfec-
tion as closely as can any instrument
devised by mortal mind.

Is there any law in the Colony which
prevents the importation of rabbits?
That is live rabbits. A stroll over the
hills to the East of Victoria suggests
that magnificent shooting might be
provided if a few preserves were estab-
lished. There does not seem to be any
grave objection to such a step being
taken. Of course it is well known that
in Australia rabbits have proved an
awful curse, but that is because the
country is largely a sheep walk, is liable
to periodical droughts and the rabbits
denuded the pastures. These conditions
do not prevail in Hongkong. The rab-
bits could do very little damage and a lit-
tle wire fencing would keep them away
from the reservoirs and gardens. Alto-
gether it seems that the experiment
would not be dangerous and it would
certainly provide much better sport
than is to be found at present. When
men go out with guns as things are,
there is such an absence of anything
worth shooting at that too often alleged
sportsmen slay the beautiful and inoffen-
sive blue-jays.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

Some interesting Late Telegrams and
other reading matter will be found on
pages 2, 3 and 7.

It transpires that Singapore has not
yet raised its contribution towards the
Interport Rifle Shield. They have got
\$210, and are whistling for the balance.
Hongkong was not late after all.

It is stated that many foreign residents
in Yokohama were doubtful as to the suc-
cess of the launching of the "Satsuma",
and quite a large sum of money changed
hands as the result of betting.

The Races.

A meeting of officials of the Hongkong
Jockey Club was held yesterday afternoon
at which the dates for the forthcoming race
meeting were decided. The first dates
chosen were February 18th, 19th, and
20th, but as the 18th is mail day for the
French Mail it was decided to advance the
meeting by a day and the races will now
take place on Tuesday, Wednesday and
Thursday, February 19th, 20th and 21st.

Fell On His Toe.

A highly ingenious defence was made
by a coolie, at the Magistrate's court, this
morning, in reply to a charge of stealing a piece
of iron. The coolie was found wandering
along the street with an iron bar in his
possession and not being able to satisfac-
torily explain how he came by it was taken
to the Central Police Station. When
charged before Mr F. A. Hazland, he
declared that he was walking along San
Tao Lane just before he was arrested
when the piece of iron fell from above
on to his toe. Defendant had just
picked the iron bar up, intending to return
it to its owner, when he was arrested.
His Worship was unimpressed and not
withstanding the fact that the coolie's toe
was elaborately bandaged he was fined \$10
with the usual alternative.

CAUGHT COLD WHILE HUNTING A

MR Wm. THOS. LANGRISH, provincial
Constable at Cheltenham, Ontario,
Canada, says: "I caught a severe cold
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LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

The Japanese naval manoeuvres were
concluded on November 17.

It is reported that Austria-Hungary
intends to raise the Legation at Tokyo to
an Embassy, in July next.

The establishment of the Meiji Sugar
Manufacturing Company with a capital of
five million yen has been sanctioned. The
company will set up factories at Kagai and
Yensul in Formosa.

It is rumoured that another foreign
loan will be raised by the Tokyo Munic-
ipality in order to meet the expenses for
the projected improvement of sewerage,
the municipalization of street railways and
some other important projects.

Mimitan in Miyazaki prefecture, Japan,
continues to suffer from tidal waves, wires
our correspondent, in that prefecture re-
ports the Yorucho Choko. The breakwater of
the harbour has been destroyed to a length
of about one hundred feet and a greater
part of the street facing the sea has also
been wrecked. The inhabitants continue
to escape into the interior and great con-
fusion prevails in the town.

The libel action brought by the Jesuit
Fathers of Tientsin against The China
Times for statements made in an article
on "Social Conditions in Tientsin," remains
unaffected by the apology already tendered
by the defendants for publishing "certain
inaccuracies of fact." The China Times
was called upon also to withdraw and
apologize for certain imputations of moral
condition of things in the Settlement. The
prosecutors, however, declined to do so,
and on this count the action is proceeding
and will be heard early in December.

Justices Meeting.

A Meeting of Justices of the Peace
was held, at the Magistracy, this afternoon,
for the purpose of considering an applica-
tion from Luis Manolo Lobo for a publican's
license for the Stag Hotel, No 148 and 150
Queen's Road Central. The Justices
present were Messrs F. A. Hazland, C.D.
Melbourne and R. H. Craig and the applica-
tion was granted unanimously, there
being no police objection.

Exploiting the Public.

A bean-curd seller was fined \$15, with
the alternative of a month's gaol, at the
Magistrate's court, this morning, for having scales
that were 5 per cent unjust. A fish-seller
from the New Western Market was also
convicted of having scales that weighed
five per cent, in his favour. Inspector
Withers stated that the stall was a large
one and defendant had no other scales.
His Worship (to the Interpreter) "Tell
him he has made a lot of money out of the
public with these scales. He must pay a
fine of \$75 or go to gaol for two months."

The Peking-Hankow Railway.

A private letter to Shanghai from Peking
dealing with the question of the manage-
ment of this Peking-Hankow (Ching-Han)
Railway gives the following encouraging
account of the line:—During the month of
September last the income obtained from
transport of passengers and goods amounted
to the total sum of \$967,200, odd. Begin-
ning with Jan. 1, 1906, and ending with
the last day of July, 1906, the line made in
passengers and goods the total sum of
\$3,983,100, odd, from which must be
deducted the sum of \$1,503,500, odd, for
running expenses, leaving a total net gain
of \$2,479,600, odd, for the above-noted
seven months. Taking this as a basis, the
total net gain for the whole year, ending
December 31 next will be somewhere in
the neighbourhood of four million and a
half dollars, after deducting expenses. It
is, however, firmly believed that with
this strict supervision of the working of this
Railway the income should be doubled next
year.

An Uninvited Guest.

A coolie was proceeded against, at the
Magistrate's court, this morning, by Mr Crofton,
chief clerk, Colonial Secretary's Depart-
ment, for being on Government premises
without permission. Apparently there has
been a good deal of trouble lately on account
of coolies and others quartering themselves
in various Government servants' quarters.
The trespassers were always friends of
the coolies or boys employed in the
different departments and consequently
great difficulty has been experienced in
bringing a prosecution. The defendant
in the present instance pleaded guilty and
Mr Crofton explained to the Bench
that defendant was found in the coolie
quarters at the Government Stables, Lower
Albert Road. Sanitary Inspector McIlwain
came to inspect the quarters and stables
and found defendant and others there and
did not think they belonged to the place.
Complainant and his head Chinese man
were called and pronounced defendant to
be an outsider. His excuse was that he
was a friend of one of the Public Works
Office coolies, but he had no business on
the premises. Defendant was fined \$7 with
the alternative of 14 days' gaol.

NO OPIUM IN CHAMBERLAIN'S

COUGH REMEDY.

THERE is not the least danger in giving
Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to
small children as it contains no opium or
other harmful drug. It has an established
reputation of more than thirty years as the
most successful medicine in use for colds,
croup and whooping cough. It is a safe
and pleasant to take. Children like
it. Sold by all chemists and druggists.

BY TELEGRAPH.

GERMANY'S COLONIES.

THE ADMINISTRATION

Attached.

Starting Disclosures

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters,
via Bombay.)

London, December 3.

Stormy scenes have occurred in the
German Reichstag in connection with
the debate on the administration of the
Colonies.

Herr F. A. Bebel, the well-known
Socialist member, made an impassioned
speech, in which he declared that the
insurrection in Damaraland has been a
goldmine to contractors.

He read a letter which gave the
details of horrible atrocities which had
taken place in the Cameroons, and he
mentioned the guilty officers by name.

Herr Bebel asserted that only small
chiefs when caught were hanged, while
those who operated on a large scale
escaped.

All the members of the Colonial
Administration, continued the Socialist,
ought to be in the dock, and in con-
clusion he accused three members of the
Reichstag, naming them, of abusing
their positions as deputies.

The speech caused an uproar, which
was intensified by another democrat
shouting—"Look at the criminals!"

The House then adjourned.

[REUTERS'S SERVICE.]

UNITED STATES AND JAPAN.

London, December 2.

It is understood in Washington that Pres-
ident Roosevelt is determined to press
Congress to give power to the Federal
Government to force individual states to
obey treaties; in the meanwhile the
Japanese question is assuming growing
importance, and the whole of the white
population of California is resolved to
exclude Japanese from the schools.

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FOOTBALL.

Wales Defeated.

London, December 2.

The South African team defeated Wales
by 11 to 0. Unprecedented interest was
taken in the game and huge crowds were
present.

Wales was confident of winning, and
their failure is attributed to the selection
of too many old players for the team.

NORTH RIVER NEWS.

(From our Correspondent.)

YING-TAI, North River, Nov. 28.
In a recent tour into the interior from
here I came in contact with the Chong Lan
District Magistrate in his annual journey
through the district attending to such
matters that pertain to his office. I was
with him six days at Tung-tan. He is a
new man, and has with him a young naval
officer who has been abroad. They both
seem to have quite advanced ideas, and wish
to see the country make rapid strides along
Western lines.

Thieves received very little sympathy at
their hands. While at Tung-tan in a
very short while fourteen were beheaded—
some for petty theft. While in the middle
of his tour, he was taken very ill, and had
to return to Chong Lan City, cancelling all
his engagements. The natives rejoice in
this, and think that the Magistrate is
receiving punishment from the gods be-
cause of his radical changes.

This district has opened one of the new
schools. The Magistrate has not the full
number of boys, yet he is organizing the
school and expects the full number by the
first of the New Year.

The early dawn of this day was made
exceedingly beautiful by the appearance of
a heavy frost, the first one for the season.

AN ATTACK OF CROUP WARDED

OFF.

OUR little girl, two and one-half years
old, woke up coughing with the
group one evening recently. We happened
to have a box of Chamberlain's Cough
Remedy on hand and gave her two doses of
it. She went back to sleep and woke up
next morning without a trace of cold. It is
certainly a great medicine. Says Dr. Wm.
Langhille, editor of "The Medical Review,"
Chicago, U.S.A.: "An attack of croup can
be easily averted by giving this remedy
as soon as the group cough appears. It
has been known to save many a child's
life. It is a safe and pleasant to take. It
contains no opium or other harmful drug,
and may be given to the smallest child
with perfect confidence. For sale by all
chemists and druggists."

BY TELEGRAPH.

NEWCHWANG.

THE RETROCESSION AGREEMENT.

Some of its Provisions.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, December 4.

The agreement which ratifies the retrocession of Newchwang to China was signed by Japanese and Chinese representatives yesterday.

Among the provisions of the agreement are the following:

All Japanese troops are to be withdrawn from Newchwang.

Japanese advisers are to be employed by the Chinese in connection with the maintenance of the health of the city, and the conduct of public affairs.

The construction of waterworks, electric light, and tramways to be the joint enterprises of Japan and China.

The revenue collected by the Chinese Customs to be paid into the Yokohama Specie Bank.

YINGKOW.

Retrocession Unsigned.

(Chinese Mail Service.)

PEKING, December 3.

The two Chinese boats at Yingkow were to the Peking Government that the negotiation for the retrocession, which has been agreed upon between China and Japan, is still unsigned.

CHINA'S REFORM MOVEMENT.

RIDICULOUS TO THE FOREIGNERS.

(Chinese Mail Service.)

PEKING, December 3.

Sir Chen Tung Liang Cheng, Chinese Minister to America, wires from Washington to the Peking Government to the effect that foreigners look upon the present re-organization of officials in the Capital as ridiculous, and asks the Throne to exercise the utmost care in dealing with any change in future.

DEATH OF MR. A. W. SLATON.

Drowned at Sea.

The death is reported of Mr. A. W. Slaton, late manager of the New Connaught Hotel. From the report that has been made locally it would appear that Mr. Slaton met his death under somewhat peculiar circumstances. On November 26 he and a friend, resident in Hongkong, are said to have gone on board the French steamer "Hanoi" to have a drink with the Captain. The meal was not completed until shortly before the steamer's hour of departure and at the last moment deceased and his friend decided to go to Hanoi. They stayed on board accordingly, apparently without again communicating with the shore, and after the steamer had been out at sea for some time the cry of "Man overboard" was raised.

The Captain was on the bridge at the time and heard the cry, and immediately gave orders to stop the ship and have life belts, etc., thrown overboard to the drowning man, who was heard crying for assistance. After the ship had been stopped a search was made for deceased and although it was continued for half an hour nothing more was seen of him.

On arrival at the anchorage a report was made to the French authorities and on the steamer's return here, we understand, similar steps were taken, the American Consul and the police being informed.

As deceased was not a British subject and met his death outside of British waters, the ship was not allowed to land any of the deceased's effects.

We have been passed on to the following letter bearing on Mr. Slaton's death:—
"S.S. 'Hanoi', at sea, November 26.
At 6.25 p.m. on the 26th instant, whilst abreast of the Great Ladrone Isle, a passenger, Mr. G. Gallimberti, shouted that another passenger had fallen overboard. The ship was at once stopped, and the engines put astern, and a life buoy with a light attached to it, thrown overboard. A boat was launched with the second officer in charge and a search was made from 6.25 to 6.40 p.m. but no trace of him could be found. It appears from the statement made by Mr. Gallimberti, who was seen by the ship, that Mr. Slaton was trying to lean himself on the rails at the side of the ship. The vessel was rolling heavily at the time and he overbalanced himself. (Signed) P. Morisset (Master).
R. M. Klause (mate), C. Zerk, A. H. Tomlinson and G. Meyer (passengers)."

CHINESE NEWSPAPERS IN TROUBLE.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, December 3.

It may be remembered that owing to the frequent attacks made upon Viceroy Shun Chun Hsen by some of the Chinese papers at Hongkong, His Excellency issued orders that with the exception of the "Chinese Mail," "Ta Kung Pao," and the "Tung Ngai San Po," which the Viceroy considered are very respectable papers, all the other native papers at Hongkong be stopped from circulation in Canton. Now that Viceroy Shun is away, the parties concerned thought they might try to resume business with Canton again, and accordingly had their papers sent up, with the result that the agent was arrested by the Customs. The man was bailed out in the sum of \$100 pending trial.

COOLIE AND CONSTABLE.

The Law Defied.

A somewhat exciting incident occurred yesterday afternoon at West Point in which an Indian constable and a coolie played the leading parts. The coolie was found by the constable walking along Queen's Road West carrying two military swords loosely wrapped up, and the constable, thinking the matter wanted explanation, asked the coolie what he was doing with the swords. The coolie instead of attempting an explanation at once bolted for a neighbouring house, and reaching it before the constable, who was hot in pursuit, closed and barred the door. The constable tried to force an entrance but the coolie, arming himself with a chopper, hid defiance to the representative of the law through the wicket in the door and threatened the Indian with summary decapitation if he tried to force an entrance.

Several times the Indian made a rush towards the door but each time the chopper went up in such a threatening manner that the constable thought discretion the better part of valour and retired, and finding that he was unable to capture the coolie unaided went into the street and blew his whistle vigorously for reinforcements. Sergeant Parr answered the call and by executing a flanking movement managed to take the coolie unawares and disarm him. Before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Magistrate's office, the coolie offered no explanation of how the swords came to be in his possession and was fined \$50, with the alternative of two months' gaol.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

It is proposed to build a Y.M.C.A. Building in Singapore, with a frontage of 100 feet to Stamford Road.

A rumour is current in Corea that Marquis Ito will be succeeded by Marquis Yamagata as Resident-General.

The R.G.A. Singers' Mess Games Club will hold their opening Quadrille Party in the R. A. Theatre on Wednesday next. Dancing from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Miss Myrgerite Longacre, vocalist and elocutionist, was in Shanghai when last mail left and received flattering press notices. She gave a concert at the Astor House.

Concert goers are reminded that tomorrow evening Miss Henrietta Murken, and Miss Bonavia Hunt will give a concert at the City Hall. They will be assisted by leading local talent, and as the price of admission is only \$2 there should be a big attendance, especially as the reputation of the promoters of the concert is so high.

The China Times of November 22 states that some reorganizing of the staff of the Chinese Engineering and Mining Co. has recently taken place. These changes have affected some heads of Departments. Major Micklem has gone to Chin-wang-tao to undertake the duties formerly performed by Mr. Hughes, who is now at T'ang Shan unattached. Mr. Ehrhardt has come from Shanghai, and has taken charge of the Coal Sales Department in lieu of Mr. C. Gabris. Mr. von Düring is also in Tientsin with a view to joining the head office staff.

A wire has been received from London stating definitely that His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught will arrive in Hongkong on February 6th, 1907. The stay of our Royal visitor in the Colony is, however, to be a very short one, his departure being arranged to take place on February 9th. The Duke is visiting the Colony in an official capacity, as Inspector General of His Majesty's forces, and not as on the occasion of his previous visit as a guest of the Colony. Hence his reception will probably be left very largely in the hands of the Military, although civil residents are certain to do their share, and it is very probable that the local masons will take the opportunity of arranging some function.

The Scottish-Masonic Quadrille Association held the second of their series of monthly dances at the City Hall last night, and a very enjoyable entertainment was provided. The attendance was large, St. George's Hall being well filled by the dancers, and sociability was the order of the evening. The programme consisted of twelve dances, but calls for extra was so insistent that three more dances were put on. The Committee were energetic in looking after their guests. Mr. J. J. Blake (the hon. secretary) in particular being prominent. The Masters of Ceremonies were Messrs J. Sibbitt and J. McLeod and they carried their duties out admirably. The stewards, Messrs F. Howell and A. W. Hill, had plenty to do, while Messrs Fittcock, Bridger and Hall were detailed to generally supervise. Dancing commenced promptly at nine o'clock and terminated about one a.m. The Calcutta String Band was in attendance and played excellent music.

THE "FRONDE."

Prospects of Repairs.

A preliminary survey has been made of the French torpedo-boat destroyer "Fronde," which was driven ashore at Kowloon during the typhoon of September 18, and which was subsequently salvaged and taken to the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company.

The result of the survey has not been made public as yet, but it is known that the Dock Company are preparing a tender for repairing the vessel. Whether the cost of the repairs will prohibit it being undertaken is a doubtful point.

SHANGHAI IN PARAGRAPHS.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, November 30.

The Confirmatory Meeting in connection with turning the Shanghai Dock and Engineering Company into a Wharf and Godown Company was held last Tuesday and the resolution was carried. By a show of hands the majority was only 16—38 for and 23 against—and so a poll was taken which resulted in 23,238 shares for and only 2,723 against—a sweeping majority and one which entirely quelled the able but forward objections of Mr. Gilbert Reid and Mr. Neilson. Both gentlemen were dead against the scheme and with skilful rapidity Mr. Neilson trotted forth figures to prove that their estimated amount of space available for storage purposes was wrong, as they had not allowed for storage waste, and Mr. Reid persistently dilated on the abnormal conditions prevailing during the last few years owing to the Chinese boycott of American goods and the poor facilities afforded merchants in Manchuria which kept cargo tied up in Shanghai godowns. But Old Dock sufferers have had enough of the business as it is run at present and they think any change must be more profitable and incidentally more reliable than this wonderful, over-capitalized Dock Company. Mr. Reid dwelt upon the fact that lower storage rates were necessary and they could hardly expect such big returns as other similar companies have been reaping. He struck the keynote of future success and let us hope it is a good sign of reform in this direction. The new Company when floated will be too big to be ignored by the Wharves and Godowns already in existence, and perhaps it may lead to that much needed conference of the Directors of Wharves and Godowns Companies with a view to initiating a universal tariff on a moderate scale which will leave very ample room for good profits.

The Municipal Council are waking up. They are actually recognising the dire needs of the community, admitting they recognise them and promising reform as quickly as opportunity offers, with emphasis on the quickly. To tell you what it is about. At the present moment to travel in a rickshaw or carriage down the Nanking Road towards the Race Club is to court disaster. The flow of vehicular traffic is enormous and almost uncontrollable and many of us have thought with apprehension upon the state of affairs when the trams come to add to our misery. A letter on the subject, signed by many important firms and individuals, was addressed to the Council and in reply came a long and quite intelligent essay explaining the reasons which made it undesirable that the Jinkee Road should be altered and used as a new road from the Bund westwards so as to ease the traffic of the Nanking Road, which was the desire of the writers. The Jinkee Road is private property and it would be difficult to estimate the cost of buying the buildings at its termination and onwards, but the Council say they have the Peking Road in view. They have pointed out how limited their powers of buying up property are but have given us the assurance that as soon as it can possibly be managed, the whole of the Peking Road is to be widened to match its beginning at the Bund and then run into the Bubbling Well Road. It is a grand scheme and will meet a very serious difficulty.

Armed robberies still continue and their success has bred additional daring and we are wondering whether Dick Turpin tales have been translated into Chinese and these robberies are the result of a spirit of emulation. At present we have not Bonnie Black Bess. It is an excitement for the future when the yellow bandit makes good his escape on a galloping Chinese pony. These desperadoes do not believe in one of their party quietly committing a crime. They prefer the safety numbers give and when twenty of them started out with intent to break into the shop of a native jeweller in the Rue du Consulat they felt sufficiently sure of themselves calmly to inform two policemen of their own nationality and what they meant to do. They treated these myrmidons of the law with every consideration and we understand even their language was gentlemanly. Two of the fierce band were told off to guard the policeman, while another enterprising soul flung a rope with a hook on to the verandah by which he hauled himself up and gained ingress into the house by breaking a pane of glass. It was then an easy matter for their comrades to join them, point revolvers at the inmates and demand the keys, which were instantly handed over and booty to the value of \$2,000 carried off. By the time the policemen had been released and started to make the alarm, the bold robbers had escaped into the native city, immovably riding the creek. I am sure if there had been a dyke they would have taken a daring jump in the dark in approved fashion but they did their best with the muddy water of the creek.

CHAMBERLAIN'S PAIN BALM.

There is no danger from blood poisoning resulting from a cut or wound of any kind, when Chamberlain's Pain Balm is used. It is an antiseptic dressing and should be in every household. For sale by all chemists and storekeepers.

BY WHARF AND WAVE.

Baron Shibusawa and Mr. Okusa are reported to be making arrangements to establish a great steamship company with a capital of fifteen million yen in Japan.

The Department of Communications is offering a reward of Yen 100 to any person who discovers a mine on the Japanese coast and puts it ashore or so attaches it that it cannot drift.

We are informed by the Harbour Department that the Master of the steamer "Hohenstaufen" reports having passed, in lat. 38 north and 167 east, a four masted barque flying the numbers T. K. R. L. She wished to be reported all well.

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

[FROM NORTHERN PAPERS.]

COMMERCIAL MUSEUM IN PEKING.

The Board of Agriculture, Works and Commerce opened a Commercial Museum attached to the Board on the 25th November. Over one thousand guests including officials, scholars and merchants visit the Museum daily. As the President of the Board, Prince Tsai Ogen, is now on his tour in Manchuria, no foreign guests are invited for the present. About a dozen foreigners have been in the Museum of their own accord however and have brought many exhibits there. The Emperor Dowager has also ordered many exhibits from various provinces so as to encourage the industries. From the 27th November tickets for entrance to the Museum have been sold to the public and over three thousand of those are bought daily.

POLICE FORCE IN PEKING.

The high officials of the late Board of Constabulary are having daily conferences in order to place all the police affairs, both of the Inner City and of the Outer City of Peking under one Superintendent, and to emphasize the authority of the Superintendent so as to have his control extended to the villages outside the city of Peking.

WATER WORKS AT NEWCHWANG.

The Customs Tsoai of Newchwang, Liang Je hao, does not accept the Japanese Waterworks at Newchwang as the source of water is outside the foreign settlement there. Mr. Gonouke Hayashi, the Japanese Minister to Peking, is now negotiating the matter with the Waiwupu in Peking.

OPPOSITION AGAINST QUEUE CUTTING.

There is a strong movement in Peking against the practice of cutting off the queues which has been almost universal since 1900 amongst young men going abroad to study. Several Censors have lately denounced the practice to the Throne and call for such drastic measures as the severest punishment of the youths who have been guilty of cutting off their queues abroad as well as in China. The matter has been referred to the Council of State to report on.

THE CLOSING OF NEWCHWANG.

The Liaohs is entirely blocked with ice.

THE OPENING OF MUKDEN.

Mr. Fulkard (H. M. Consul-General) arrived at Mukden yesterday.

JAPANESE COMMAND IN NORTH CHINA.

Major-General Nakamura has been appointed to command the Japanese troops in North China in succession to Major-General Kamio.

WEST RIVER PIACRY.

British steam launches have frequently been plundered by the pirates in the West River and the British Minister in Peking has asked the Waiwupu to instruct Viceroy Chou Fu to arrange for the Maritime Customs at Canton to build revenue cruisers for the protection of the river traffic.

JAPANESE TARIFFS.

The Board of Agriculture, Works and Commerce received a telegraphic proposal from the Treaty Revision Commissioners at Shanghai and the Viceroy at Nanking that the Japanese tariffs shall be revised.

THE CHINESE MINISTER TO FRANCE.

Liu Shi-chung, the Chinese Minister to France, is appointed a Reader of the Grand Secretariat, a post vacated by Sir Cheng-tong Liang Cheng, the Chinese Minister to the U.S.A. owing to mourning.

CHINA AND REFORM.

Commenting on the opinion regulations issued from Peking the N.O. Daily News says:—"The significance of the regulations is in the fact that their aim will form a safe criterion of the prospects of the whole reform movement. Not only is the elimination of the use of opium an important factor in the regeneration of China, but it is clear from the drastic nature of the Regulations that the Reform party has elected to stake its all on achieving this elimination. It would be unfortunate, therefore, if the Reformers were to fall through launching schemes which are ill-considered, or premature. That there is a danger of this happening is to be gathered from reports regarding the progress of the educational movement throughout the country. Schools and colleges, we learn, are springing up in certain districts, often out of proportion to the requirements of the community, and the result is a great waste of money. Meanwhile, chaos reigns in educational matters generally, and it would seem that the 'Hsiuehpu' (Ministry of Education) in Peking has as yet failed to formulate a definite scheme of education for the country or possibly considers its functions limited to ordering the construction of school buildings. Well-wishers of China will despair of her progress, if those who are responsible for the Reform movement consider their duty done when they have merely indicated the lines on which reform should proceed. If they are to achieve any real success, they must take the lead in each stage of their country's advancement and lead a helping hand to see that their recommendations are carried out."

LATE TELEGRAMS.

[FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.]

RUSSO-BRITISH NEGOTIATIONS.

It is reported from St. Petersburg that the Russian Press is generally criticising the policy of the Foreign Department. It is believed that the Anglo-Russian Agreements of which so much has been said amount to nothing more than an insignificant declaration of policy regarding Central Asia.

AN AMERICAN ARMY SCANDAL.

It is rumored that serious frauds have been discovered in connection with the accounts of the American Army.

THE CONGO SCANDALS.

Sir Edward Grey, the Foreign Minister, replying to an individual deputee, stated that the evidence collected by an impartial committee which had enquired into the administration of the Congo Free State had aroused deep feelings throughout Britain irrespective of politics.

JAPANESE STOCKS.

A London telegram of 20th November States that Japanese bonds are firm. They have risen from a quarter to a half.

THE CRITICAL SITUATION IN CUBA.

The situation in Cuba is extremely critical. In view of the probability of the occurrence of disturbances at the elections, the execution of Mr. Tait's schemes for the formation of a new administration has not yet been commenced.

THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT'S NAVAL POLICY.

It is reported from Paris that the Chamber of Deputies has considered the Government's proposals for the construction of six battleships and also the Budget Committee's recommendation for the building of three dreadnoughts. The Government's explanation of the Naval Budget stated that the naval proposals were framed at a time when the possibility of war between Great Britain and France had to be taken into contemplation. In view, however, of the impossibility of France being able to compete with Great Britain in economical construction and speed of shipbuilding, the Government had decided to construct few battleships but many submarines.

AMERICA AND JAPAN.

The California State Board of Education has decided to call upon all the school superintendents throughout the State, to vote on the segregation question as regards Japanese school children, attending the public schools of San Francisco. It is not known just what promoted this idea, as the School Board of San Francisco still maintain a firm attitude.

ENGLAND'S PROPOSAL TO AMERICA.

It is persistently rumored in diplomatic circles at Washington that the British Government has made a formal proposition to the United States authorities to exchange Newfoundland and Jamaica for the Philippine Islands.

JAPANESE AND THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS.

The Special Commissioner named by President Roosevelt just prior to his sailing for Panama has sailed for the Hawaiian Islands, to thoroughly investigate the Japanese immigration question, and the alleged statement that Japanese are absorbing all branches of business in the Islands, to the detriment of old time residents.

AMERICA AND LUXURIES.

The United States Bureau of Commerce and Labour has just completed a report showing the amount spent by Americans yearly on foreign luxuries averages one hundred million dollars. This includes art pictures and curios purchased abroad.

THE EDUCATION BILL.

The Archbishop of Canterbury has informed a deputation of Churchmen, who advocated a compromise which would provide for a national settlement of the Education question, that he fully desired such a settlement, provided there was no sacrifice of principle involved. He was ready to accommodate a great many objections and difficulties rather than prolong the controversy.

His Lordship's speech is regarded as pointing to a considerable modification of the Lord's amendments on the Report Stage being reached.

The Bill has passed through the Committee of the Lords with far-reaching amendments, requiring daily religious instruction in all public elementary schools, and daily in denominational schools, excepting those controlled by the Welsh Education Council.

AMERICA'S COMMERCE.

A deputation from the Nonconformist Council has urged on the Premier that the concessions in the Education Bill which have already been made in the progress of the measure through the Lower House, are sufficient.

The Premier replied in the most sympathetic terms.

MERCHANT SHIPPING BILL.

The House of Commons has read the Merchant Shipping Bill for a third time.

MOROCCO'S TROUBLES.

France and Spain have arrived at an agreement, which, however, is not yet

finally ratified, for remedying the present state of insecurity at Tangier. By this agreement, if necessary, twelve hundred men of each nation will be landed. In any case French and Spanish naval divisions remain off Tangier.

A MOTOR SMASH.

In a motor car race at Philadelphia a car crashed into the crowd. Eight people were injured, three of them fatally.

SUFFRAGETTES RELEASED.

The suffragettes have been unexpectedly released from prison without any reason being assigned.

A SHIPPING COMMISSION.

A Royal Commission has been appointed to enquire into the operation of shipping rings, especially in regard to the system of deferred rebates, and to consider remedial action if the worst of the rings be proved to be injurious to British and Colonial trade.

THE NOVEMBER HANDICAP.

Manchester November Handicap of £1,500, second to third £100 and third £50 out of plate. Cup Course, 1 mile 4 furlongs—39 entries.
Capt. J. C. Ewing's ch. c. Spato by 1
The Thrush—Chimney 3 yrs. ... 1
Mr. G. A. Prentice's Spinning Millow 6 yrs. ... 2
Mr. A. A. Aspin's Great Scot 3 yrs. ... 3
(Winner trained by E. Rokeby at Warrington, Berks.)

THE SPANISH MINISTRY.

The Spanish ministry has resigned. Sr. Pradergast has been designated to form a new ministry in Spain. This resignation of the Spanish cabinet is the outcome of the breach between the government and the Vatican reported in the cables some six weeks ago. The rupture was not looked for by those who had been following the events in the south of Europe. It was the natural sequence of the struggle in France, that has been going on for some months over the separation of church and state.

CANTON NEWS.

Chau Fu has appointed two mandarins to important posts under him, and has arranged that they shall have fixed salaries. Chan Wan Tsai has been appointed to the Board of Punishments, and is allowed a salary of four hundred taels per month, and Chan Yan Shan has been appointed to supervise Salt and Lixin affairs and is apportioned three hundred taels per month. The latter has not yet come to Canton, and presumably is from the previous incumbency of the Viceroy. This would seem to be a step in the right direction, and if thereby squeezed can be prevented, it will be a great gain all round. Other improvements are being initiated. I see that the Viceroy will be issuing stamped paper after the fashion of the Governments of the West, and that there will be specific charges for this paper, which in turn must be used when petitions are presented to him, or to his officials.

EXPORTATION OF RICE.

There has been a good deal of angst expressed in some quarters because certain kinds of rice grown in the Kwangtung province is being exported. It is generally allowed that no rice can be exported from the Delta, because what is grown is not sufficient to meet the needs of home consumption. On the other hand there are certain kinds of rice which are grown in the Delta, which are looked upon as delicacies, and it is these special kinds first of all, that the agitation concerns. There has been an appeal therefore to the Viceroy that he may issue instructions prohibiting all export whatsoever. He has answered this appeal and has granted the prohibition asked for. In addition he has ordered all the country officials in the interior of China, and also all the stations connected with the Lixin, to look well to it that nothing of the kind is allowed. Further, he has written an instruction with his own hand, and sent this to many of those concerned, and ordered them to keep their eyes open, look out so that no one shall be able to undertake to smuggle in this secret trade. It seems to us that certain kinds of rice might be allowed to go forth to other places, and with the money thus secured, larger quantities of a less valuable rice might be imported for consumption by the masses. But as is well known, the Chinese are just as jealous of anything that is likely to interfere with the price of rice, as in the West, the people are of anything that will add to the price of corn.

IMPERIAL POSTAL ARRANGEMENTS.

There has naturally been rivalry between the old postal arrangements, which have so long been in vogue in China, and the new postal service that has recently been established. At first apparently, even after the new service had been inaugurated, the old offices were allowed to go their way, and send letters of any weight they liked, for any price they thought fit. Then came the new rules which imposed that the old service must, if they continued to carry letters, carry them at the same prices and of the same weight as the Imperial Post. This has the older services very hard, and apparently many were unable to carry on their business and had to close up. Lately, however, it has been suspected that they were not conforming to the rules but were doing their business in the way that suited them best. Recently a watch was kept, and several letters were discovered, being sent without any affixed stamps at all. These letters have been confiscated, and sent to the Nam Hoi Magistrate, who will attempt to discover the senders, and the offices which sent them. If discovered the guilty will be punished.

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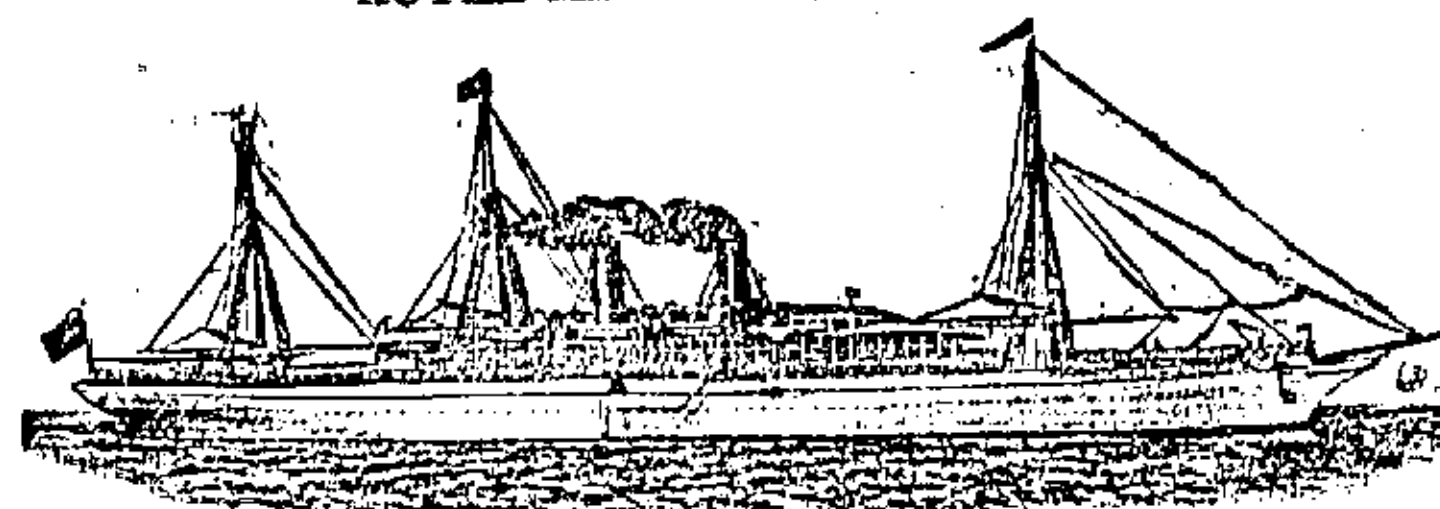
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BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.	KUMANO MARU, Capt. Hunter, Tons 5076	FRIDAY, 28th Dec., at Noon.
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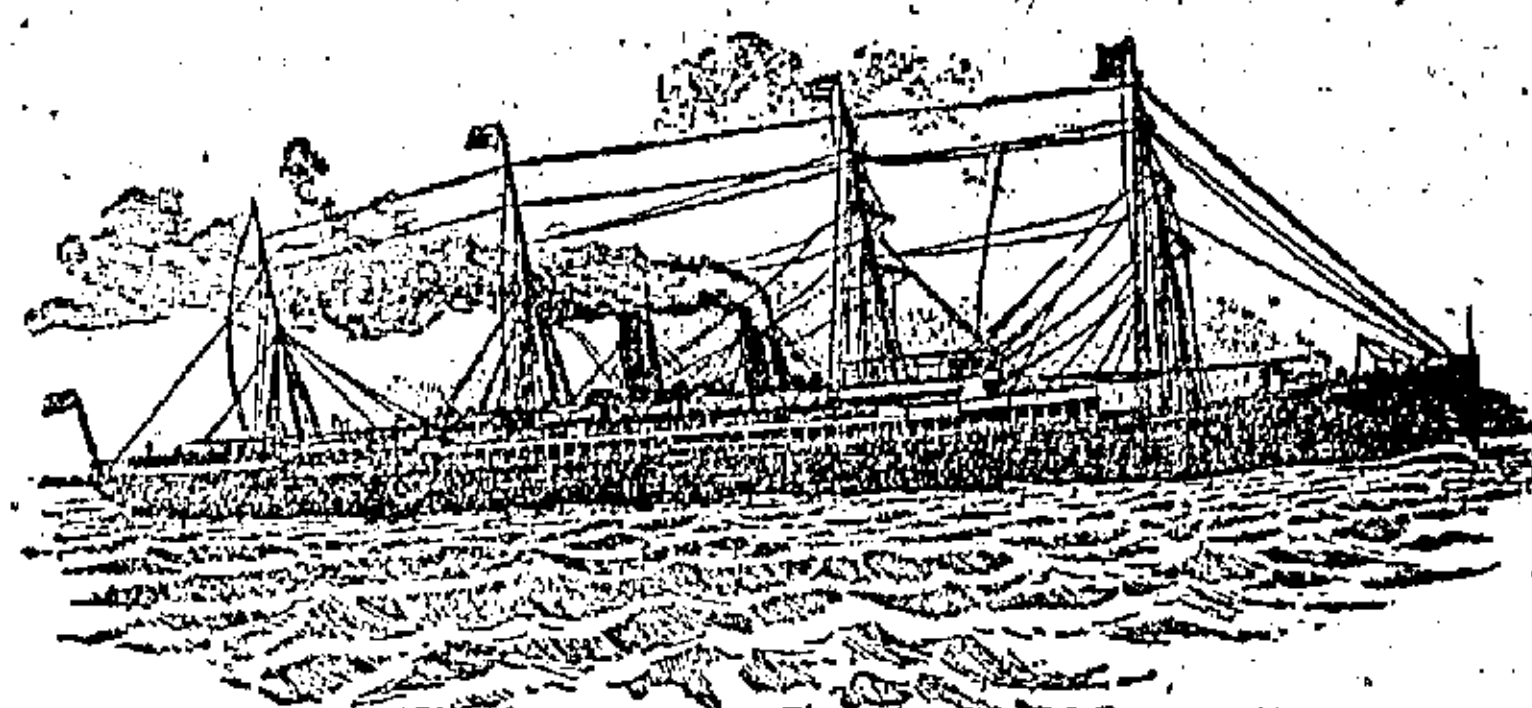
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KOREA	18,000	FRIDAY, 28th Dec., at Noon.
AMERICA MARU	11,000	TUESDAY, 8th Jan., at Noon, 1907.
SIBERIA	18,000	TUESDAY, 15th Jan., at Noon.
CHINA	18,000	TUESDAY, 22nd Jan., at Noon.
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STEAMERS.

SAILING DATES.

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STEAMERS.

SAILING DATES.

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Hongkong, December 3, 1906. 2318

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DEVANHA 8000	Dec. 15	MOLDAVIA 10000	Jan. 12	Jan. 19
DELHI 8000	Dec. 29	VICTORIA 7000	Jan. 26	Feb. 2
ARCADIA 7000	Jan. 12, 1907	ORINA 8000	Feb. 9	Feb. 16
SIMLA 6000	Jan. 26	INDIA 8000	Feb. 23	Mar. 1
DELTA 8000	Feb. 9	MONGOLIA 10000	Mar. 9	Mar. 15
MALTA 8000	Feb. 23	BRITANNIA 7000	Mar. 23	Mar. 29
DEVANHA 8000	Mar. 9	MAMORA 10000	Apr. 6	Apr. 12
Macedonia 10500	Mar. 23	Through to MARSEILLES and Lon- don, via Bombay.	Apr. 20	Apr. 26
DELHI 8000	Apr. 6	MOLDAVIA 10000	May 4	May 10
ARCADIA 7000	Apr. 20	HIMALAYA 7000	May 19	May 25
MALTA 8000	May 4	VICTORIA 7000	June 2	June 8
	May 18	INDIA 8000	June 16	June 22

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NAMUR 7000	Jan. 2	Feb. 18
NUBIA 6000	Jan. 16	Mar. 4
BORNEO 6000	Jan. 30	Mar. 18
JAVA 4500	Feb. 13	Apr. 1
NYANZA 7000	Feb. 27	Apr. 15
MANILA 7000	Mar. 13	May 1
MANILA 7000	Apr. 10	May 27
JAPAN 4500	Apr. 24	June 10

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Silesia 2nd Jan., 07.	Rhenania 4th Dec., 06.
Scandia 1st Febr., 07.	Hohenstaufen 11th Jan., 07.
Halleberg 3rd March, 07.	Scandia 22nd March, 07.
	Halleberg 6th April, 07.

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* PLEIADES	3753	F. G. Purinton	About Dec. 20.
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The "Customs Quarterly Gazette" for July-September 1906, published on Nov. 26 by the Statistical Department of the Imperial Maritime Customs contains in Chinese and English, the following interesting statement and documents:

NOTIFICATION.

Inspector-General of

Customs and Posts.

Peking, October 30, 1906.

"A Circular having been issued on the 22nd ultimo, under instructions received from Their Excellencies the Shuiwu Tach'en, informing the members of the Customs Services that the transfer of control from the Waiwupu to the Shuiwu Tach'en would entail changes in relations or procedure generally, that Circular is now published (English and Chinese) by order of the Waiwupu, transmitted through the Shuiwu Tach'en, accompanied by the dispatches therewith connected (A, B, and C).

(Translation.)

"In connection with the transfer of Customs control to the Shuiwu Tach'en, I had the honour to receive Your Excellencies' verbal directions on the 22nd September to issue instructions, in accordance with the draft submitted for the information and guidance of the Commissioners of Customs, to the effect that the procedure is to continue in every respect as hitherto. I accordingly issued a Circular to all the ports embodying these instructions, and beg to enclose two copies of the same for record.

12th October.

Circular No. 1,369.

Inspector-General of Customs.

Peking, September 22.

Circulars Nos. 1,339 and 1,361 acquaint-

ed you with the establishment and opening

of a separate and special office to deal with

Customs affairs. The Inspector-General, which

had hitherto functioned in and under the

Tsuneli Yamen and Waiwupu, was thereon

accordingly instructed to report henceforth

to, and take its orders from the new

department, the Shuiwu Tach'en. The two

Tach'en appointed to control the Shuiwu

Tach'en, Their Excellencies T'ieh Liang

and Tang Shao-yi, explained to me on two

separate occasions, on the 12th and 16th

May, that work was to proceed as before,

and they now authorize me to circulate this

intimation as an order for the information

of the Service generally. While the In-

spector-General will have the same relations

with the Shuiwu Tach'en that he had with

the Waiwupu and his duties continue to follow

the same general lines, Commissioners and

port staff will also continue to work just as

before and remain in the same relation to

the Inspector-General. Further, seeing

that this explanation should dispel apprehen-

sions expressed since the appearance of the

Customs Edict on the 9th May the mem-

bers of the Service are to avoid origina-

ting or circulating, whether by mouth or

pen, disturbing rumours and hypothetical

fears calculated to provoke public comment

to a useful purpose, but which may do more

harm than good as affecting the dignity of

the Chinese Government. The Maritime

Customs worked satisfactorily, efficiently,

and usefully in the past, and the Chinese

Government has been considerate and

liberal in its dealings with its foreign

employees; it is not intended to change

such treatment and it is expected that

Service content and efficiency will march

hand in hand with its continuance. I may

add this Customs Circular has been sub-

mitted to, and approved of, by the Shuiwu

Tach'en before issue.

I am Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) ROBERT HART,

Inspector-General.

To the Commissioners of Customs,

Postal Commissioners,

And Deputy Commissioners in

charge of Likin Collectories.

Shuiwu Tach'en to Inspector-General.

(Translation.)

"We have to acknowledge your dis-

patch of the 12th October, stating that in

connection with the transfer of Customs

control you had received our verbal direc-

tions on the 22nd of September to issue

instructions, in accordance with the draft

submitted, for the information and

guidance of the Commissioners of Customs,

to the effect that procedure is to continue

in every respect as hitherto, and that,

having issued a Circular to all the ports

embodying these instructions, you now

forwarded two copies of the same for

record.

"We thereon sent one copy, with a

Chinese version, to the Waiwupu, and

have received a reply, stating that the

contents of the Circular have been duly

noted, and that you are to be instructed

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